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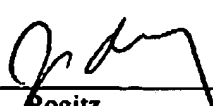
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SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL APPEAL BRIEF

This short brief responds to the Office Action dated May 5, 2005, repeating verbatim the rejections in the Office Action dated April 5, 2005 but clarifying that an appeal conference was held and explaining the findings of that conference. Accordingly, this brief supplements but does not supersede the supplemental appeal brief filed April 18, 2005 in response to the Office Action dated April 5, 2005 (i.e., responding to the same rejections made in the Office Action dated May 5, 2005).

Appellant notes that in the latest Office Action, the examiner notes that the appeal conference determined that Diffie-Hellman nowhere discusses lattices and nowhere provides a reason to use lattices. Appellant agrees, and suggests that the Board keep this admission of the appeal conference in mind when considering the obviousness rejections.

Respectfully submitted,



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